

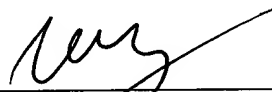
REMARKS

In order to more particularly define and distinctly claim the subject matter Applicants regard as their invention, Applicants hereby cancel claims 1-10, 21, and 23-24 without prejudice and without any intention of abandoning the subject matter thereof, and add new claims 25-43. Applicants also amend claims 11, 13-15, 17, 19-20, and 22, without any intention of disclaiming equivalents thereof. Support for the amendments and new claims 25-43 can be found in the claims 1-10, 21, and 23-24 (now cancelled without prejudice), as well as throughout the specification. Accordingly, no new matter has been added. Applicants submit that pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request entry as such.

Applicants believe that no fee is required for this paper to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional authorization to charge any fees necessary for entry of this paper or other fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

If it is believed that a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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